



Stanley-Dowst Poultry Farm, 167 New Orchard Road, Epsom, NH

For many years the town of Epsom was hailed for its poultry industry, and the farm established by the Sherburnes became such a farm under the Stanley and Dowst families. The Sherburnes resided on the property for many years, with the widow of Nathaniel Sherburne living into her nineties, and eventually resided in a small house across the street. Deeds mention a small cemetery on the property, of which all that remains is a fieldstone marker in the woods behind the house, being that of Nathaniel Sherburne who died in 1818. The remains of the fence markers and other burials are among the missing.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

1732, original right of Samuel Frost; 1770, Joshua Wentworth of Portsmouth from Alice Hight, daughter of Joshua Wentworth, all of lot 99, that which was originally of my honored father, now deceased; 1782, Nathaniel Sherburne of Portsmouth from Joshua Wentworth, all of lot 99 in the third range of lots; 1788, Nathaniel Sherburne Jr. from Nathaniel Sherburne Sr., 1/2 of lot 99, the eastern half; 1818, Molly Sherburne and sons John and David on death of Nathaniel Sherburne; 1856/57, John and Mary (Molly, widow of Nathaniel) to William Sanders, subject to dower rights of the widow Mary, son David having died in 1837; 1857, Perley C. Giles from William Sanders; 1861, John S. Cate from Persley C. Giles, still subject to the dower rights of Molly Sherburne; 1871, Samuel Stanley by deed of John S. Cate; 1904, Mandana Stanley, widow of Samuel Stanley; 1920, Herbert S. Stanley by will of Mandana C. Stanley; 1927, Margaret C. Stanley by will of Herbert S. Stanley, her husband, deceased; January 1928, George A. Dean of Epsom from Margaret C. Stanley; August 1928, Russell A. Pejouhy from George A. Dean; 1930, foreclosure by NH Savings Bank; 1939, George Dowst from NH Savings Bank; 1978, George F. Carlson & Martha from Norma J. Dowst, widow of Epsom; 1997, George F. Carlson (1/2 interest) Jr. and Dean E. & Nancy Carlson (1/2 interest) from George F. Carlson Jr of Bow, 2 tracts, land and buildings.

GENEALOGY: Nathaniel Sherburne married in 1789, Molly Sanders, daughter of George Berry Sanders and Anna Page. They had for children: John, who married Abigail Page; Mary, who married William Rand; Elizabeth who married John S. Rand; and David who married Fanny Prescott. John S. and William Rand were brothers, sons of William Rand and Mary James of Deerfield.

Samuel Stanley married Mandana C. Locke, daughter of Simeon P. Locke and Sarah Cass. They had a son, Herbert S. Stanley who married Margaret Connell and had two children, Samuel B. and Herbert C.. George F. Dowst was the son of Ernest Dowst and Martha S. Fowler. George married Norma F. Jevnager and they had children; Richard E. and Christine M..

